IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of: William P. Fell Serial Number: 10/696.418

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Remarks

Claims 21-27 are pending. Claims 21-24 have been canceled. Claims 25-27 remain in the application. Claims 1-20 have been previously canceled.

Claims 21-24 stand rejected. Claims 25-27 are allowed.

The Rejections

The examiner has rejected claims 21-23 under 35 U.S. C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Giacosa in view of Hattori.

The examiner has rejected claim 24 under 35 U.S. C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Giacosa in view of Hattori and in further view of Chronic.

Allowable Subject Matter

The examiner states that claims 25-27 are allowed.

Response

The applicant believes that all of the rejections and objections have been resolved. Regarding the rejections of claims 21-24, these are now moot in that these claims have been canceled.

Regarding claims 25-27, the examiner has indicated that claims 25-27 are allowed.

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Conclusion

In view of the above, the applicant believes that all of the objections and rejections have been resolved. Reexamination, reconsideration and approval of the claims, as amended, are requested soon.

Respectfully Submitted

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